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DATE: 1/15/03
TO: LEAH PALMER
FROM: MICHELLE
RE: FEC INQUIRY LETTER RESPONSES
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Ms. Palmer,

Here are our responses to the April Quarterly (01/01/02 - 03/31/02) letter that we received on 12/26/02. The original will be mailed today with several enclosures (e.g. copies of checks, copies of redesignations, etc.)

If you have any questions, please call. Thanks..

Michelle

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January 14, 2003

Ms. Leah S. Palmer
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

RE: Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc. - C00325126
April Quarterly Report (01/01/02 - 03/31/02)

Dear Ms. Palmer:

The attached enclosures and following information are the Committee's responses to your correspondence of December 26, 2002, principally addressing excess contributions. We believe the attached schedule to be self-explanatory.

Schedule A -- Contributions:

- **Renwick P. DeVille** - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2839) in the amount of \$500.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #1)
- **Russ Herman** - Refunds issued on 07/31/01 and 12/31/01. Copies of checks (#'s 1291 & 1596) are enclosed. (Encl. #2)
- **Donald A. Hoffman** - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2835) in the amount of \$200.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #3)
- **Paula Hoffman** - Copy of redesignation form is enclosed. (Encl. #4)
- **Connie A. Koury** - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2832) in the amount of \$300.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #5)
- **Ben M. Littlepage** - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2828) in the amount of \$500.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #6)
- **J. Todd Metcalf** - Contribution of \$1,000.00 from 01/25/02 was returned by bank as "NSF". Copy of contribution screen total from Committee database is enclosed. Areas in question are highlighted. (Encl. #7)
- **Avis R. Ogilvy** - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2827) in the amount of \$500.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #8)
- **Julie Wise Oreck** - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2843) in the amount of \$250.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #9)
- **Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe** - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2840) in the amount of \$2,000.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #10)
- **Joe D. Smith, Jr.** - The database lists Joe D. Smith and Mrs. Joe D. Smith (husband and wife). Their contribution limits are fine. Copies of contribution screen totals from Committee database are enclosed. (Encl. #11 & 12)

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- Sylvia L. Steiner - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2844) in the amount of \$1000.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #13)
- Warren L. Stern - Copy of redesignation form is enclosed. (Encl. #14)
- Byron Talbot - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2830) in the amount of \$500.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #15)
- David L. Weir - Refund issued on 01/10/03. Copy of check (# 2834) in the amount of \$1,000.00 is enclosed. (Encl. #16)
- H. H. Winters - The Committee database has no entry under this name.
- Harry H. Winters - According to the Committee database, Mr. Winters only has \$2,000 in contributions - \$1,000 for Primary & \$1,000 for Run-Off. Copy of contribution screen total is enclosed. (Encl. #17)
- Citigroup, Inc. PAC - The 03/23/02 contribution was allocated to GENERAL, not PRIMARY. Copy of check is enclosed. (Encl. #18)
- SBC Communications, Inc. PAC - The 03/21/02 contribution was allocated to GENERAL, not PRIMARY. Copy of check is enclosed. (Encl. #19)
- Ironworkers Political Action League - According to the Committee database, the Ironworkers PAC has given a total of \$15,000 - \$5000. to Primary, \$5000. to General and \$5,000 to Run-Off. (Encl. #20)
- Textron, Inc. PAC - The 03/05/02 contribution was allocated to GENERAL, not PRIMARY. Copy of check is enclosed. (Encl. #21)
- Lyondell Chemical Company PAC - The 03/21/02 contribution was allocated to GENERAL, not PRIMARY. Copy of check is enclosed. (Encl. #22)

Schedule B - Disbursements:

- First USA Bank, NA - The amount listed of \$1,342.06 was part of a larger payment made subsequently by one check. Mistakenly showed entire subsequent payment as current period disbursement rather than splitting payment to reduce debt and current period disbursement.
- Hooper, Owen, & Winburn - Copy of check # 1257, issued in the amount of \$217.80, is enclosed. (Encl. #23)
- Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus - Any bills paid to this organization are listed on the enclosed printout. (Encl. #24)
- Louisiana 1999 - Committee shows no disbursement to this vendor and has no explanation.
- NGP Software - Payment in question was voided. Entered as a debt on report in error.
- Plante & Associates - Copy of check # 1484, issued in the amount of \$611.44, is enclosed. (Encl. #25)

Ma. Leah S. Palmer

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Schedule B - Lack of Addresses:

- These arrive principally from credit card transactions where addresses are usually unavailable. Was able to locate several addresses, and have entered them into the Committee database.

Schedule B - Purpose of Disbursement:

- The software vitalized by the committee to maintain disbursements has certain standard expenditure descriptions. This software is converted to the FEC report software prior to preparing reports. The Committee then takes each item and manually converts the disbursement software "purpose" to FEC software "purpose". Due to the fact that the first quarter report is due within 15 days of the end of the quarter, the Committee did not have time to adjust all "purpose" descriptions.

Schedule A - Political Committees:

- Please provide the Committee with a listing of those, which you found to be unacceptable and the Committee will correct and supply the missing information.

Schedule D - Names/Addresses of Creditors:

- The Committee has previously discussed this matter with the Commission. Apparently, there are debts, which originated at the beginning of the election cycle before the Committee changed to current reporting software. The Committee is unable to search its current database to locate these vendors with missing information.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide a response to your notice. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at (504) 299-3434.

Sincerely,

Kent A. Berger

Cc: G. Anthony Gelderman, III, esq.

Attorney for Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc.

Melinda Maxfield

Marc Elias, esq.

Enclosure

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January 15, 2003

Mr. Kent A. Berger
Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc.
650 Poydras Street, Suite 1434
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mr. Berger:

I am writing to advise you that the Senate Office of Public Records has received a facsimile transmission of your amended report filed pursuant to the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended. A facsimile transmission is an unacceptable filing because it does not constitute the original report with an original signature. Please provide an original report in order to satisfy the requirements of the aforementioned Act.

A copy of this letter will be included on the public record with your facsimile transmission. Please do not hesitate to contact the Public Records Office at the number shown above should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Pamela Gavin
Superintendent

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